Lincoln Conservation Commission

Lincoln Town Hall 100 Old River Road Lincoln, RI 02865

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 7, 2010 MEETING OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

MICHAEL J. ALEXANDER - CHAIRMAN DORIS BRAIS – TREASURER DANIEL FLYNN MICHAEL GRAVIER ANNE McGINN

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ANTHONY E. PERROTTI – VICE CHAIRMAN MICHAEL MARSEGLIA

I. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>:

Michael Alexander called the April 7, 2010 meeting of the Conservation Commission to order at 7:37 PM

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The approval of the March 3, 2010 minutes. Motion by Anne, seconded by Mike G. Voted to approve.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT: Al Rinaldi, Town Planner – Regarding the Lincoln Center.

- A rain garden is proposed to be in the middle of the turnaround, along with a flag pole and Vietnam Memorial Stone. The total area will be 40 ft by 30 ft.
- The project will involve "In Kind Services". The grant will pay for 60% of the project, and the other 40% will come from volunteer time to due to hands on work.
- The project rain garden project is projected to start in August of 2010.
- Al Rinaldi is asking the CC to volunteer some time on the project and oversee the rain garden project.

IV. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>:

State Grant Approval of \$1000.00 to the Conservation Commission for the Butterfly Garden.

Town of Lincoln – Memorial Day Parade

Girl Scout Daisy Troop 577 - Request permission to plant a Monarch Butterfly Weigh Station at the Butterfly Garden.

V. WETLAND APPLICATIONS: None

VI. COMMISSION PROJECTS:

Organic Community Garden- No Report. Mike A. stated that he would speak to the Town Administrator on his input regarding the garden status.

Butterfly Garden – Mike A. stated that the annual cleanup has been scheduled for April 24th. Anne made a motion to allow Mike A. to purchase mulch, weed killer and food for the volunteers. Seconded by Tony. Voted Unanimous. Mike A. stated that the path had been wash away from a broken water line and the torrential rain storms. The hole is approximately 50 ft long by 4 ft wide by 3 ft deep. Anne made a motion to write a letter to the Town Administrator asking to have the Town fix the path. Mike G. seconded. Voted Unanimous. Mike A. stated that he will fix the water line. Mike A. stated that the water had been turn on, in the house, by someone in the winter, causing the pipe to break.

Open Space – Anne stated that she and Mike M. are working on the brochure.

Recycling - No report.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

Mike A. stated that he mention the Shady Brook project to Dave Sale and Dave very much likes the project. Dave will speak to the Town Administrator. Dave said that he could get mulch from the State Recycling. Mike G. suggested putting in wild grass and flowers.

VIII. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>:

Mike A. stated that the letter to the TA regarding the senior center be put on hold. Dan volunteered to be the rain garden project leader at The Center.

Mike A. stated that the Girl Scouts have requested to add a small Monarch Weigh Station in the BFG. Mike A. stated that this was a nice project, pending the repair of the path. They will start the day of the cleanup.

Anne stated that she spoke to ecori.org, at the Land & Water Summit, regarding environmental news stories. They asked if Lincoln CC has any environmental news stories.

Mike A. stated that he spoke to RI Water Lady, at the Land & Water Summit, regarding the promotion of rain barrels. Mike A. stated the possibility of the CC or the Town selling rain barrels to town residents.

Mike A. stated that there was no change to the CC budget by the Budget Board for next year.

Mike A. asked if anyone was interest in participating in the Memorial Day Parade this May. No one is interested this year.

IX. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>

Dan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Anne seconded. Vote unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Leslie B. Alexander, Recording Secretary Lincoln Conservation Commission